

## WILLIMANTIC

### ARRESTED IN PROVIDENCE

Youth Named Smith, Who Stole Ticket From Windham Station.

Acting Chief Daniel Killourey received a telephone message from Providence Tuesday afternoon that a young man named Smith residing on High street in this city had been arrested and was being held there until the local authorities could send for him. The young man broke into the Windham station and stole a number of railroad tickets before he made his departure from these parts. He arrived in Providence Monday night on a freight train. The mother of the young man was at the local station house Tuesday morning, asking for her boy.

An officer will be sent to Providence today to bring the man back to Willimantic.

### Concert Deferred.

On account of the difficulty in transporting a grand piano because of the freight embargo, the concert to have been given in this city by Charlotte Kent, has been postponed until next autumn when this city will be included in Miss Kent's tour.

### H. BIRDGE HELD.

Awaiting Arrival of Brooklyn, N. Y. Officers—Charged With Larceny of Motorcycle.

H. Birdge alias Edward Post, was arrested Tuesday afternoon by Officer Hurley as the young man was about to leave the city on his motorcycle.

### Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

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ty. He was sentenced to fifteen days in jail for the charge of intoxication and thirty days for breach of the peace. The man was arrested upon the complaint of his mother.

### Death of Infant Daughter.

Word was received in this city on Tuesday of the death of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George R. Battersby of Providence, Mrs. Battersby was formerly of this city.

Sixty-three Unsecured Creditors. The list of assets and liabilities of A. R. Davis, formerly manager of the Hooker House, has been filed in the district court in Hartford. The assets amount to \$3,850 and the liabilities reach \$4,747.22. There are sixty-three unsecured creditors.

### Two Arrested for Intoxication.

Two men will be brought before the police court this morning to answer the charge of intoxication. One of these men was arrested upon the complaint of his wife and the other was arrested for acting queerly about the office of the American Thread company. It was at first thought that the latter man was insane, but it was determined that his condition was due to liquor.

### Brief Mention.

Raymond Gates of New Haven spent Monday night at the home of his parents in this city.

Manchester Center branch of the Red Cross society will hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. O. A. Perry in Manchester this afternoon.

W. W. Holman of Ash street has sold the timber on 30 acres of his land located near the pumping station to William H. Phillips of Main street. Officer Hurley will go to Providence today to bring Joseph Smith to this city. Smith is but 15 years of age and ran away from his home on High street Monday.

A framed copy of President Wilson's message to congress at the outbreak of the war has been presented to the Mansfield Center Library by Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Perry.

Frank Gellinas, son of Alexander Gellinas of this city, has enlisted in the aviation corps of the regular army. At the present time Mr. Gellinas is located in Texas in the same squadron with another Willimantic young man.

The convention of Tolland County W. C. T. U. will be held in the Congregational church of South Coventry today. The morning services will start at 10 o'clock. Mrs. C. B. Buell, president of the state organization, will be present.

### PLAINFIELD

Supervisor of Gardens Slew Has Pupils Out for Instruction—Total Collections for British War Relief \$1,321.10. Committee Endorses Father Keefe's Plea for Red Cross Work.

Tuesday a touring car bearing a Rhode Island license skidded and overturned on Plainfield street near the home of Arthur Mathewson. The auto was going at a moderate rate of speed, and it is hoped that more people will respond to this worthy cause.

The collectors for this week are: In Plainfield, G. Bromley, Barret Judson and Zeck Teltow; in Jewett City, James Hewitson.

Anyone wishing to contribute to this fund may do so by giving to any of the above named collectors or by addressing James Oldham, Box 323, New Village.

### STAFFORD SPRINGS

Planning for Registration Day—Chautauqua Guarantors to Meet—Farming Popular.

In accordance with the proclamation of the president of the United States, June 5th will be registration day for all male persons between the ages of 21 and 30, both inclusive. Governor Holcomb has appointed the first selectman, the town clerk and the registrars of voters to be in charge of the registration. The hours of registration will be from 7 a. m. until 9 p. m. There is a heavy duty for those who fail or neglect to register. This is the first step taken in connection with the selective draft to raise a large army for the United States.

### Guarantors to Meet.

There will be a meeting of the guarantors of the Stafford Springs Chautauqua at the Congregational chapel this (Wednesday) evening.

T. W. Morrill was in Hartford on business Tuesday.

### Everybody Gardening.

Work in the Stafford home gardens indicates that this town is fully alive to the seriousness of the food situation and will do its bit toward relieving the shortage. People who have not had gardens for years and many who have never planted a seed are trying their luck in growing garden truck this year. There appears to be a similar spirit throughout the country and it looks as though Tolland county will give a good account of itself in an agricultural way this year.

### WARM WEATHER HELPS

### HOME GARDEN WORK

Fine of a Hundred Dollars For Tampering With or Stealing Crops.

The home garden work in this city is progressing more satisfactorily since the warm weather has set in and many of the gardeners are busy planting. The Huntington plot is now all ready for seed, having been ploughed, harrowed and cut up into small plots.

Under an act passed by the legislature on the final day of its session, it will be a dangerous proposition for anyone to tamper with gardens or steal crops which others are growing.

The Connecticut Committee of Food Supply has accepted an offer of services in the "Bigger Crops" campaign made by Edgar Marston of New York, who has volunteered the use of his automobile and his own services three days each week for work in Connecticut under the committee's direction. Mr. Marston made his offer to Governor Marcus H. Holcomb, because of the dangerous proposition for anyone to tamper with gardens or steal crops which others are growing.

For a bill was passed by concurrent action of both houses, providing a fine of not more than \$100, imprisonment not exceeding six months, or both, for any person who "shall during the time of the war enter upon the field, garden or land of another sown, planted or cultivated with grain, vegetables, fruit, articles of food or substances used in the preparation of food" with intent to retard or injure the growth of the products of the soil, or to steal any garden products.

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East Hampton—The grange meets this (Wednesday) evening at the town hall. The subject for the lecturer's hour: Should We Eat Meat in Hot Weather?

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BELOW THAMES RIVER  
Compressed Air Squad Preparing the Foundation for Drawbridge Piers.

In connection with the work on the new drawbridge which the New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co. is having built across the Thames river, there is one form of activity that is not visible but that is very important to the success of the structure. Below the surface of the water there is employed a force of compressed air workers, sometimes known as "sand hogs". There are about 50 of these men. On them devolves the making of the foundation of the piers that are to bear the weight of the huge superstructure. Any one who is familiar with the bottom of the Thames river will understand that it is necessary to go down a long distance to find stability in the way of a foundation for the piers and the compressed air men are down 150 feet working away in preparation for the laying of the piers.

The men enter an air lock, which is located above the surface of the river, and then pass through a narrow shaft to the caisson that is sunk at the bottom of the river. They usually make the trip up and down in the bucket that is used to haul material to the surface, but there is an emergency ladder that can be used in case of any trouble with the hoisting apparatus. In order to work at that depth it is necessary to employ compressed air and there is a pressure of from 30 to 40 pounds employed to keep the water out. Working under such conditions is quite different from being employed on the surface of the earth, and the men are usually relieved in from an hour to an hour and a half from the time that they make the descent.

There is room at the bottom for eight men at work and by making shifts, operations can be kept up most of the time. Of course artificial light has to be furnished, and the conditions would be very strange to any one who has not been used to that kind of labor. The compressed air workers are familiar with such environments, and they seem to find no difficulty in meeting the peculiar requirements of the job. A man who is talking with two of the men recently and one of them stated that he had been doing that kind of work 17 years and his companion said he had been at it for 14 years. Both were very healthy looking specimens and it is evident that they have not suffered physically from their labor.

In the caisson there is a lever attached to the shaft of the air lock which the workers use for a signal. Hidden away from the people who pass up and down the river and those who cross on the old bridge, the compressed air men are putting down a foundation that will stand the weight that will have to be supported when the big lift is in position and the heavy trains are running over the new structure.

### SHABUOTH.

Festival of Weeks Falls on May 27th This Year.

Shabuoth or the Festival of Weeks falls this year on Sunday, May 27th. Its name is derived from the fact that the Mosaic legislation does not prescribe the date of this festival as being definitely on such and such a day, or such and such a month, which is the reason that it will have to be supported simply states that seven full weeks are to be counted from the time the Omer (a measure of grain as an offering) is brought. Hence, the name "the Festival of Weeks", and also the name, "Pentecost," meaning "fiftieth" since the festival is seven weeks or the fiftieth day after the second day of Passover, so fixed by Rabbinical tradition.

Like the other two so-called pilgrim festivals, Passover and Tabernacles, the Festival of Weeks was

originally related to the agricultural life of ancient Israel, its designation sometimes as the "Feast of First Fruits" as well as some of the features of its celebration is described in the Bible, and the further fact that the Book of Ruth, with its harvest scenes, is designated as the special scroll for reading on Shabuoth indicate clearly the agricultural character of the festival.

However, this aspect of the festival has become altogether secondary to its historical significance, since tradition makes Shabuoth the anniversary of the Revelation at Sinai when Israel assumed his sacred mission as the priest-people and holy nation. In view of this deeper meaning of the festival, Shabuoth has been chosen by the modern American Synagogue as the most appropriate occasion for the impressive ceremonial of Confirmation whereby the boys and girls in Israel renew the vow of Horeb and pledge their love and loyalty to the covenant of their fathers.

Accept No More Under 18. The army will receive no more enlistments of youths under 18. Major Mercer, in charge of the Connecticut recruiting district, received orders to shut off Saturday at Simsbury. It had been the custom to accept boys as young as 15, if they were especially robust, provided they obtained parental consent.

Thomaston—Frederick Hemmings, a plumber in the employ of H. L. Blackwell, has perfected an invention for the use of ships against torpedoes discharged by submarines.

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It will show the immediate results of the war not only on the military side, but on the economic side as well, and it will thus enable the reader to foresee its ultimate results in the readjustments that will follow in all nations. The war's geographical results will also be fully dealt with, and new maps, to take place of present ones, will be given wherever there are changes in present boundaries.

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The magnitude of the war, in which practically all countries are directly concerned, makes it necessary that its history should be treated with the high authority that can only be attained by employing the incomparable resources of the Britannica; it also calls for the putting into concrete and authoritative form, for present-day readers and for posterity, of the facts of a chapter of history which will be of immeasurable influence on the future of civilization everywhere in the world. The War Volume will be, in fact, a complete reference work on the greatest war of history, and in its own field just as good a book as the Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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THE ENCYCLOPAEDIA BRITANNICA.

per J. M. Macdonald President.

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